Bloodmobile At Arsenal This Week

"It's time to roll up your sleeve" is the slogan at the Joliet Arsenal these days as recruitment continues for donors for the Red Cross bloodmobile which will be stationed in the recreation building of the Arsenal next Tuesday and Wednesday. All groups are cooperating, including the Elwood Ordnance Plant, Kankakee Ordnance Works and the Ordnance Ammunition Center.

All the blood which is collected in the jurisdiction of Will County Chapter, American Red Cross, is for our military hospitals either in the form of whole blood or plasma. The Chicago Defense Center, under which Will County Chapter works, furnishes a large percentage of the blood and plasma used in Korea.

One of the reasons for the need of a large supply constantly moving to the war front is that one unit of plasma requires 2.4 pints of blood. Plasma is used on the battle front to allay shock and keep the wounded alive until medical assistance can be given in the mobile surgical hospitals and other behind-the-lines facilities.

With the heavy fighting during the past few months, the need for blood has been greatly increased. Every Red Cross chapter has a quota and Will county has been keeping up its part thru the very fine cooperation of industry and the public in general.

THIS WILL be the only visit at the Arsenal for several months, so all employes who are in a position to do so are urged to sign up for next week's visit. The recruitment is in charge of Mrs. Grace Gonzalez, who is general chairman for the visit. Don Beard of the U.S. Rubber Company, and Paul Cundy of the Ordnance Ammunition Center

A pint of blood is a real Christmas gift to a wounded man, as on an average of nine pints of blood is used for every casualty.